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RULE 63 (37 C.F.R. 1.63)
INVENTOR'S DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, mailing address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, and I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

IDENTIFICATION OF NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES SPECIFIC FOR MYCOBACTERIA AND DEVELOPMENT OF DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS STRATEGIES FOR MYCOBACTERIAL SPECIES

the specification of which (check applicable box(s)):

<input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto	as U.S. Application Serial No.	TO BE ASSIGNED	(Atty Dkt. No. 2752-59)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> was filed on	February 14, 2002	on	
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and (if applicable to U.S. or PCT application) was amended on _____

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119/365 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed or, if no priority is claimed, before the filing date of this application:

Priority Foreign Application(s):	Application Number	Country	Day/Month/Year Filed
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

Application Number	Date/Month/Year Filed
60/269,848	21 February 2001
60/292,509	23 May 2001

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120/365 of all prior United States and PCT international applications listed above or below:

Prior U.S./PCT Application(s):	Application Serial No.	Day/Month/Year Filed	Status: patented pending, abandoned
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon. And on behalf of the owner(s) hereof, I hereby appoint **NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C., 1100 North Glebe Rd., 8th Floor, Arlington, VA 22201-4714, telephone number (703) 816-4000 (to whom all communications are to be directed)**, and the following attorneys thereof (of the same address) individually and collectively owner's/owners' attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith and with the resulting patent: Larry S. Nixon, 25340; Arthur R. Crawford, 25327; James T. Hosmer, 30184; Robert W. Faris, 31352; Richard G. Besha, 22770; Mark E. Nusbaum, 32348; Michael J. Keenan, 32106; Bryan H. Davidson, 30251; Stanley C. Spooner, 27393; Leonard C. Mitchard, 29009; Duane M. Byers, 33363; Jeffry H. Nelson, 30481; John R. Lastova, 33149; H. Warren Burnam, Jr. 29366; Mary J. Wilson, 32955; J. Scott Davidson, 33489; Alan M. Kagen, 36178; Robert A. Molan, 29834; B. J. Sadoff, 36663; James D. Berquist, 34776; Updeep S. Gill, 37334; Michael J. Shea, 34725; Donald L. Jackson, 41090; Michelle N. Lester, 32331; Frank P. Presta, 19828; Joseph S. Presta, 35329; Joseph A. Rhoa, 37515; Raymond Y. Mah, 41428; Chris Comuntzis, 31097; Gary T. Tanigawa, 43180. I also authorize Nixon & Vanderhye to delete any attorney names/numbers no longer with the firm and to act and rely solely on instructions directly communicated from the person, assignee, attorney, firm, or other organization sending instructions to Nixon & Vanderhye on behalf of the owner(s).

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In re Patent application of:

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Serial No. 10/074,246

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For: IDENTIFICATION OF NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES SPECIFIC FOR
MYCOBACTERIA AND DEVELOPMENT OF DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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The attached completes filing of the above-identified patent application:

- Signed Rule 63 Declaration alone, Copy of Declaration from prior application alone, OR
 Signed Declaration plus attached copy of originally filed specification/drawings.
 NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION FILING DATE GRANTED form.
 Record the attached assignment and return to the undersigned.
 Attached is a Power of Attorney.
 Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:

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respectively.

- Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached _____
 Certified copy(ies) filed on _____ in prior application no. _____ filed _____.
 Applicant claims "small entity" status. "Small entity" statement attached.
 Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee.
 Also attached: Information Disclosure Statement; Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission; Other:

Fees due are calculated below:

Basic filing fee	\$ 740.00
Total Effective claims 34 - 20 = 14 x \$ 18.00	\$ 252.00
Independent claims 16 - 3 = 13 x \$ 84.00	\$ 1,092.00
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Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$400.00/2 months; \$920.00/3 months; \$1440.00/4 months)	\$ 0.00
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